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East Orange City Council Adjourned Meeting Council Chambers City Hall Friday, January 13, 2017

I. ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

Councilman Romal D. Bullock
Councilman Mustafa Al-M. Brent
Councilwoman Jacquelyn E. Johnson
Councilwoman Amy Lewis
Councilwoman Alicia Holman
Councilman Casim Gomez
Councilwoman Quilla E. Talmadge
Chairman Theodore R. Green

ABSENT: Councilwoman Tyshammie L. Cooper, Councilman Christopher D. James (arrived at 5:20 PM)

The City Clerk determined there was a quorum and the meeting commenced at 5:13 PM.

CITY OFFICIALS:

William Senande, City Administrator/Chief Financial Officer Khalifah Shabazz, Esq., Corporation Counsel Acting Chief Andre Williams, Fire Department Acting Chief Phyllis Bindi, Police Department Michele Ralph-Rawls, Director, Human Resources Sheilah Coley, Director, Public Safety

Also Present:

Ibrahim Small, Aide to the Mayor Henry Amoroso, HJA Strategies, Financial Consultant to the City Administrator

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II. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

III. SILENT PRAYER

IV. SUNSHINE LAW STATEMENT

THIS MEETING WHICH CONFORMS WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS LAW, CHAPTER 231, P.L. 1975, IS A REGULAR OFFICIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING. NOTICES HAVE BEEN FILED WITH OUR OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER WITH THE CITY CLERK AND POSTED ON THE REGULAR BULLETIN BOARD. THE PUBLIC IS ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE WHERE STIPULATED ON THE AGENDA.

V. REPORT OF COMMITTEES

A. FINANCE

Councilwoman Talmadge moved for an Executive Session to discuss contractual matters. Councilwoman Johnson seconded the motion.

RESOLVED THAT,

WHEREAS, The City Council of the City of East Orange has been appraised by the City Counsel of the following matters requiring discussion and debate in Closed Session as provided by the New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b)(7):

1. Contractual Matters

WHEREAS, The City Council of the City of East Orange has been advised that discussion shall be made public as soon as possible consistent with the public interest of the people of the City of East Orange.

WHEREAS, Council has determined that disclosure to the public of the product of these discussions shall be made as soon as possible consistent with the public interest of the people of the City of East Orange.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EAST ORANGE and to conform with the provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law, does hereby adjourn this public meeting and resolve to enter an Executive Session of the City Council.

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A roll call was taken:

Ayes:

Councilman Bullock, Councilman Brent, Councilwoman Johnson,

Councilwoman Lewis, Councilwoman Holman, Councilman Gomez,

Councilwoman Talmadge, Chairman Green

Nays:

None

Abstains:

None

(8-Ayes, 0-Nays, 0-Abstentions)

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council went into Executive Session at 5:15 PM and returned at 6:35 PM.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

Councilman Mustafa Al-M. Brent Councilwoman Jacquelyn E. Johnson Councilwoman Amy Lewis Councilwoman Alicia Holman Councilman Casim Gomez Councilman Christopher D. James Councilwoman Quilla E. Talmadge Chairman Theodore R. Green

ABSENT: Councilman Romal D. Bullock (excused 6:25 PM)

Councilman Green asked if a resolution stipulating the desires of the Council will be brought forth at the next Council Meeting. Corporation Counsel Khalifah Shabazz responded her office would bring down a resolution reflecting the items discussed and the contract at the next Council Meeting.

Councilwoman Talmadge said she would have a Finance Committee Meeting next Friday to discuss the resolution, but in the meantime, the Clerk's Office should be in receipt of the resolution to submit to all Members. Ms. Shabazz responded a draft resolution was already prepared. Said she needed direction from the Council as to the terms discussed in the Executive Session.

Councilwoman Talmadge asked her Committee Members to come at 4:30 PM to allow enough time to meet prior to the Public Safety Promotions Ceremony at Messiah Baptist Church.

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VII. HEARING OF CITIZENS

None

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:40 PM.

ty Council Chairman

thia S. Brown, RMC/CMC City Clerk